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Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, paragraph 0002, delete "Research for the present invention was sponsored, in part, by the Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR) under grant number F49620-99-1-001" and insert therefor "Financial assistance for this project has been provided by U.S. Government, Air Force Research Laboratory Grant Number F30602-99-1-0506 and Air Force Office of Scientific Research Grant Number F49620-99-1-0014; and the United States Government owns certain right to this invention".